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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - DET. SGT. WALTER TARANKO

- 1. DET. SGT. WALTER TARANKO, LUDINGTON, MICHIGAN, WILL BE ARRIVING MANILA VIA JAL 743 AT 1300 HOURS, DECEMBER 13. PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP IS TO TAKE A DEPOSITION FROM AN EYEWITNESS TO A HOMOCIDE THAT OCCURRED IN LUDINGTON, MICHIGAN.
- 2. THE WITNESS IS MR. CHRISTOPHER STAPLETON, U.S. CITIZEN, RESIDING AT 26 HAMADA, BAGUIO, HOME TELEPHONE NO. 2223. DET. SGT. TARANKO HAS TALKED TO STAPLETON BY TELEPHONE. STAPLETON IS WILLING TO MEET TARANKO AT AMEMBASSY MANILA TO MAKE HIS STATEMENT.
- 3. WOULD APPRECIATE RSO RENDERING APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER. PLEASE CONTACT STAPLETON AND INFORM HIM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT DET. SGT. TARANKO WILL BE AT EMBASSY ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.

4. DET. SGT. TARANKO WILL BE DEPARTING MICHIGAN ON DEC. 11, AND WOULD LIKE ASAP TIME AND PLACE HE CAN MEET WITH STAPLETON. VANCE

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